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October 10, 1980

Mr. Donald A. Crane
Office of Surface Mining
Region V
Brook Towers
1020 15th Street
Denver, COLORADO 80202

RE: Federal Lease U-37045 Development

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Dear Mr. Crane:

Enclosed please find three (3) copies of the development schedule for Federal Lease U-37045. The schedule details the tonnage projections and geographical projections for mining 250,000 tons of coal out of this area in the next year.

This plan is being sent to your office for approval as a minor modification as discussed in our October 2, 1980 on-site meeting.

As we are fast approaching the temporary limit line established in your March 12, 1980 letter, we would appreciate a speedy response to this action. Questions, concerns, or clarifications can be directed to me.

Thanks again for your concern in this matter.

Sincerely,

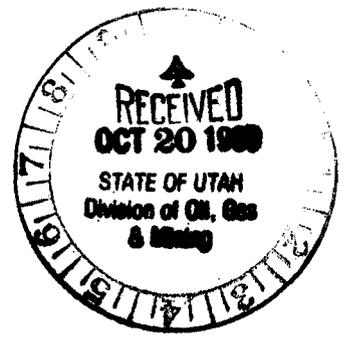
PLATEAU MINING COMPANY

S.W. Rigby

Steve Rigby
Chief Engineer

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- cc: J. Moffitt - U.S.G.S.
- J. Smith - D.O.G.M.
- F. Tucker - P.M.C.



Attachments

DEVELOPMENT OF FEDERAL LEASE U-37045

(1Year; 250,000 Ton Production Limit)

I. DEVELOP NORTHWEST PANEL

- A. Mining will initially be concentrated in areas ①, ②, and ③ as indicated on the attached map.
- B. It is anticipated that burn will preclude extended development in these areas.
- C. When burn or the outcrop barrier is reached in directions ① and ③, retreat mining will commence. Pillars will be extracted to the "Pillar Retreat" line as indicated on the map.
- D. Using the projected burn as the limit on mining, there are 38,000 tons of recoverable coal in this area.
- E. Additional tonnage will be obtained if mining can advance beyond the projected burn line.

II. DEVELOP NORTH - NORTHEAST PANEL

- A. When pillar extraction is complete in the Northwest panel, advance mining will begin in the Northeast direction in the area designated ④ on the map.
- B. The direction of mining will change and head to the Northwest after approximately 1,600 feet of mining. This is area ⑤ on the map.
- C. The panel will again turn to the North (area ⑥) if burn is not encountered first. Once burn or the property line is reached, retreat mining would commence.
- D. The tonnage calculation for this area is based on the assumption that burn will be encountered before area ⑥ can be developed. In that case, the remainder of the 250,000 ton limit (212,000 tons) would allow Plateau Mining Company to mine to the projected burn line (177,000 tons) and begin retreat mining in area ⑧. The cut-off line is shown on the map.
- E. If Plateau can mine in areas ⑥ and ⑦, which is desirable, the mining limit line would then be placed farther to

the North.

III. NOTES

- A. Plateau will continue with its present rate of production in this lease.
- B. The shaded area on the map indicates 250,000 tons of production.
- C. It is understood that should these areas not yield the anticipated amount of coal, arrangements would be made, with the appropriate agencies, to designate other areas of mining to compensate for shortages.
- D. This lease is to be included in the forthcoming Mine Plan. Upon approval of the Mine Plan, the special stipulations concerning this lease will be terminated.
- E. The Office of Surface Mining will be the approving agency on this development plan.
- F. Plateau Mining Company will inform the appropriate agencies should any unusual circumstances or conditions arise pertaining to this lease.